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Applicant has reviewed the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief (37 CFR 41.37) mailed on October 10, 2006. This notice indicates that the Appeal Brief filed on June 26, 2006 is defective as it did not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto. Please find attached an Appeal Brief that has been corrected to include only those claims under appeal.

The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(c) for filling the Appeal Brief was paid on June 26, 2006 when the original Appeal Brief was filed. Applicant believes there is no fee due at this time. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 502432.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at (612) 332-4720.

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